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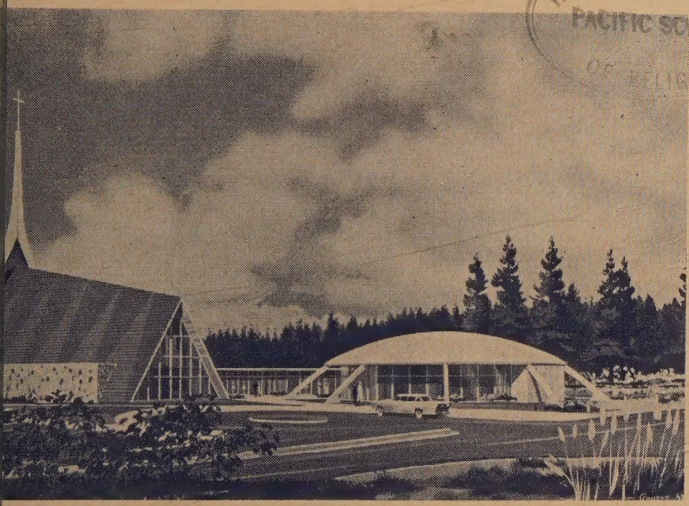

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EXPERIENCING EASTER WITH FAITH

Archie H. Hook

Superintendent and Minister

Walter Rauschenbusch put it wisely and well when he said that a great task demands a great faith. To live a great life a man needs a great cause to which he can surrender, something divinely large and engrossing for which he can live and, if need be, die. A great religious faith will lift him out of his narrow grooves and make him the inspired instrument of the universal will of God.

Perhaps as we come to Easter and hear the familiar story of Christ's triumph, his death and his resurrection we feel a certain inspiration—that we really are lifted up to proclaim the universal will of God. Dr. James Martin warns that we must recognize a difference between a conviction that the Resurrection took place and a faith in the Risen Christ, and illustrates it with the story of Blondin, a famous tightrope walker, who, on one occasion carried a man across a tightrope stretched perilously above an admiring crowd. In the forefront of the crowd was a boy, gazing at the feat in openmouthed wonderment. Blondin noticed the lad and said to him: "Do you believe that I could carry you across that tightrope?" The boy replied, "I'm sure you could." "Well ,then," said Blondin, "Jump up and I will do so." But this was a different affair, and the boy refused.

Similarly, it is not enough to believe that Jesus has risen and is alive today. Faith involves taking a further step, the taking of which will depend on that belief, but which will carry a man far beyond it, and mean the commiting of himself in complete confidence to the living Christ.

Here is the secret of Jesus' expectation: that we will do great things; not in our own strength, but through faith in Him. By our own strength we can never climb the heights which we envision, but within us we have the capacity to respond to the love of God through Christ, through which we are lifted up.

Jane Merchant in her little book—"The Greatest of These"—puts the joy of experienced faith into an Easter poem entitled "He Is Risen."

The Lord is risen indeed! We know it true,
Since we, who cannot see him at our side,
Have as abundant proof as had the two
Who walked with him until eventide.

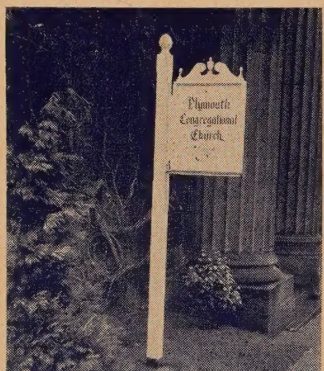
For we have witnessed fear-tormented men
Transformed, like Peter, to men who boldly dare
All things for Him, and women, as then,
Saved, even as Mary, from extreme despair.

No surer proof than this could anyone
Require. By every burden bravely borne,
By every selfless act of service done.

By every kindness in return for scorn,
By every swift response to human need,
We know that Christ the Lord is risen indeed.

"Witnessing to Our Faith"

Plymouth Church, in downtown Seattle, will be the host to our Conference's Annual Meeting, which convenes on May 7th at 1:15 P.M. From the Call to Order by the Moderator, Dr. Martin L. Goslin, until the closing session at noon on Thursday, the 9th, this year's meeting promises to be one filled with reports of progress, plans to meet the ever growing challenge of the Northwest, and inspiration and information from a superb group of guest leaders.



Plymouth Welcomes Conference

This meeting will mark the completion of two years of outreach on the Church Extension fund of $600,000. It is hoped that all of our churches will have made their five year declarations of financial support of this project by this time.

Seven outstanding Round Table discussions are planned in the fields of Worship in our Churches, Pilgrim Series, Recruitment for Christian Service, Social Action, Recruitment and Training of Church School Workers, Evangelism, and Our Christian World Mission. Two meetings of these groups will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons.

On Tuesday evening, the premier showing of "Measure of a Moment" will be held. This film was made of the spectacular presentation at the General Council Meeting of the beginning of the work of Foreign Missions from America.

All churches of our fellowship w want to have their full quota voting delegates present for all t sessions. Each church is entitled two lay delegates and pastor, pl an additional delegate for each hu dred members, or major fracti thereof, over the first hundred.

GUEST LEADERS

The **Rev. James Franklin McKi ley** is a Congregational Christi missionary educator who has spe 26 years in the Philippines.

Mr. McKinley and his wife, we appointed career missionaries to t Philippines in 1930 by the America Board of Commissioners for Forei Missions. Since then, except for t war years, they have served at Sil man University College of Theolog of which Mr. McKinley is dean. L cated in Dumaguete, a small seasi town on the island of Negros Or ental, the school is a center of lear ing for the Filipino pastors of t future. The McKinleys have traine hundreds of Christian pastors, la men and deaconesses for service i the Philippine churches.

In 1948 Dean McKinley introduce to the college a new type of scholar ship called the Honor Scholarshi To the student with the highest a ademic standing for the previou year goes a sum to cover books an tuition, board and room. In retur the student devotes two hours of h time every day to research or paris service.

During the war years the McKin leys and their three small daughte spent more than two years in hidin from the Japanese. Driven fro jungle to jungle, from village to vil lage, they hung on amid sever hardships in more than a score o different hiding places, often esca ing their pursuers by only an hou

Mr. McKinley will address t Conference Tuesday night.

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Dr. Fred Buschmeyer serves a the associate minister and secretar of the General Council of Congrega tional Christian Churches.

One of his major responsibilitie

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iat of heading up the important mission on the Ministry. Dr. chmeyer is actually a pastor-at-e to the hundreds of Congrega-al Christian young people study-for the ministry in more than a n theological seminaries across USA.

nother phase of Dr. Buschmey-wide pastoral service has to do the gathering of material and publication of handbooks on the stry including material to assist ches and pastors in recruiting ig people for the Christian min-.

t the present time he is coordi-ng and implementing our bien-n emphasis of recruitment for time church vocations.

r. Buschmeyer will speak to the erence on Wednesday night and rsday morning on the subjects vard a Better Witnessing rch" and "We Test Our Lives by h."

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r. **Galen R. Weaver** is Racial and ural Relations Secretary of the ncil for Social Action. At the ent time he is helping to con- a national survey of integra- in our Metropolitan Congrega-al Christian Churches.

August of 1957 he will lead a al action seminar to Mexico to y the economic, political, reli-s and family life of the country.

Mr. Weaver will be in our Conference two days before the Annual Meeting and will address a Seattle Area Pilgrim Fellowship meeting at Carnation, the May meeting of the Council of Churches, and will conduct an evening Social Action Seminar at Olivet Church.

Before coming to the Social Action Department he was minister of the Church of the Cross Roads in Honolulu.

He will speak to the Conference meeting Wednesday and Thursday mornings.

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Rev. Russell T. Loesch of New York City, is minister and secretary to the Chaplains and the Armed Forces Personnel of the Congregational Christian Churches.

Mr. Loesch, who assumed this new national post under the General Council of Congregational Christian Churches March 1, 1955, was himself a U. S. Army Chaplain in World War II serving in the European theatre.

This position is a pioneer venture of our denomination for members of the armed service prior to their entry into the service, during their service and afterwards.

Before coming to his present position he served pastorates in Melrose and Danvers, Massachusetts, and Lake Worth, Florida.

s F. McKinley

Russell T. Loesch

Fred Buschmeyer

Galen R. Weaver

EASTGATE ADOPTS MASTER PLAN

The master plan for the development of our Eastgate Church was enthusiastically approved by the congregation at a special meeting on February 17th. The first unit will offer a worship area which will accommodate 125 and Christian Education rooms for 150 at each service; and in addition the large fellowship hall, which will seat 300 people at tables, will also be used by the Church School.

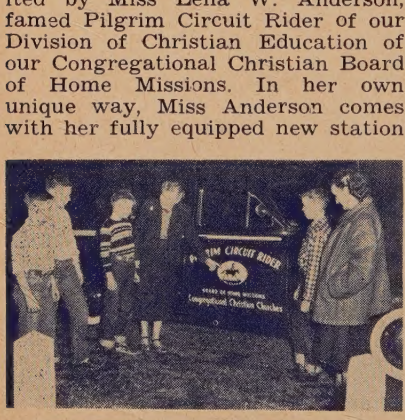
The second unit will consist of additional class rooms and the third unit will be the building of the sanctuary.

Under the direction of LeRoy Eide of the Board of Home Missions, the financial campaign for $40,000 will be held the last week in March. It is hoped that construction on the first unit can be begun this summer and be ready for occupancy in the late fall of 1957.

In fifteen months of service the church has grown to a membership of 180 and has a Church School enrollment of over 300. The Rev. Franklin Kelsey is the minister.

Circuit Rider Visits

In May our Conference will be visited by Miss Leila W. Anderson, famed Pilgrim Circuit Rider of our Division of Christian Education of our Congregational Christian Board of Home Missions. In her own unique way, Miss Anderson comes with her fully equipped new station



Miss Anderson with her Circuit Rider

wagon. She is prepared to advise helpfully with the churches she visits upon a very wide variety of subjects and problems. Her wide experience with the work of the local churches and of our national fellowship make her exceedingly capa in all situations. Churches wh have been blessed by her visits r only feel better able to meet th responsibilities, but also a deep ser of belonging to a world wide m sion.

Miss Anderson's itinerary is bei arranged by The Town and Count Committee of our Conference. D tails of these plans will be annou ed later.

Neighbor Church Lends Aid In Mesa Building Campaign

Sunday, March 10, was Canva Sunday in Mesa. That is sto enough in itself. But one of the ou of-the-ordinary features of the ca vass worthy of note was the fa that two men—Bruce Whitemar and "Tiny" Reimath—from the Fir Congregational Church in Pas proved themselves good neighbo and joined the Mesa men in puttin the campaign over. The two me each teamed with a Mesa canvasse spent the afternoon driving the va distances around "Blocks 12 and 1 and calling in homes of that wide distributed parish. In so doing th not only helped immeasurably in successful canvass, but also creat a real reservoir of goodwill towa the Pasco Church, and consequent toward Congregational Church in general.

As to the canvass itself, Lloy Russell, chairman, stated that I felt that it was a genuine succes Fourteen solid citizens and membe of the Mesa Church responded to h call for canvassers. Ed Cunningha was there from the Conference Sta to conduct training sessions. Jac son Smith from same had a hand it by speaking at the loyalty dinne The women of the parish supervise the serving of a big community di ner on Wednesday as well as puttin on a canvassers' luncheon on ca vass day.

As the Mesa parish is to a larg degree made up of young Columbi Basin farm families without fixe income, pledges of crops and labo were solicited as well as those c cash. Results: with 45 of the 54 ca completed (an unusually high pe centage for a one-day effort) th totals stand: cash pledges, $2,725.0 crop pledges, $3,000 00; and labo pledges $6,305.00. Total, $12,030.

Week at Camp
or You and Your Family

N-SID-SEN

ated on beautiful Lake Coeur d' Alene, nine miles north of Harrison, Idaho. The prop- was a gift of the late Arthur and Mrs. Ford. The camp grounds cover 105 acres and directly on the lake. The facilities include a lodge and cabin facilities that accom- late 120 campers. Lake Coeur d' Alene is noted for its excellent swimming facilities it is an ideal setting for summer conference grounds with its beautiful hill-side pel, quiet places of inspiration, and breathtaking sunsets.

PILGRIM FIRS

ated six miles south west of Port Orchard on Leyden Lake. The property was given as memorial gift by Miss Julia Lane and has been developed during the past two years as part of the Church Extension fund. On the 121 acres year round facilities have been veloped which include a lodge and cabin facilities that can now accommodate 120 mpers. From numerous view ridges one can see both Mt. Rainier and the Olympics.

Youth Camps

Eight full weeks of camping are scheduled for young people entering grades seven through twelve plus spring graduates. An additional three day college conference will be held immediately after Labor Day.

Off to Pilgrim Firs by ferry

This year each camp will have a special course of study on the Life and Teachings of Jesus as well as other areas of study in—Discovering My Faith, Who Am I, Our Christian Witness, The Congregational Heritage and Building The Pilgrim Fellowship Program.

Junior Highers at N-Sid-Sen

The Junior High and Freshman camps are limited to 80 campers and 15 faculty members; the Senior Highs to 100 campers. Registrations are accepted on a first come basis.

The total cost for the week is $22.00 including a $4.00 registration fee.

Moments of relaxation on N-Sid-Sen Beach

What Does A Week At Camp Mean To A Young Person?

Following the closing communio service on Sunday night each senio high camper writes a letter to him self. This letter is mailed to hir sometime during the year by a fac ulty member of his choice. A gradu ating camper wrote the followin letter. Perhaps it will help you un derstand what a week at camp ha meant to one camper.

Dear You,

The hardest conflict a man eve fights, are the battles inside him self. He may tell no man of wh won the victory, yet it will be ap parent to all.

Your vow of attending church Who won?

Have you kept your spirit i faith?

Have you talked with Him late ly, maybe you should.

Your list of treasured memorie should include fagot service, com munion and candlelight service, the honest and simpleness, yet greatness of our Chaplain. The way Rabbi Bil prodded you into exploring your own faith. Discovered anything yet?

How about the leadership of the faculty?

Have you written to Mr. and Mrs. A. during college? They gave a week to you. Can't you spare them a couple of minutes to write them a letter?

How is your personality growth coming?

Do you still want to be a counselor at camp? If so, have you mentioned it to John?

The greatest conflict a man ever enters takes place inside himself, and without saying a word the world will know.

Your greatest admirer,
Lovingly, YOU.

Beth, Gary, and Marv—Pilgrim Firs Officers

ıily Camps

r the first time three family
› weeks are on the schedule. The
e family comes for a combina-
week of vacation, fun, fellow-
and study. The mornings are
ıed with study times for par-
as well as graded groups for
children. The afternoon and
ng are a time for the family to

arents' group meeting on Beach

and play together.
ıs hoped that this year we will
ɔle to accept all families that
ɛer. Registrations are now be-
eceived for Family Camps.
ɔh camp is limited to seventeen
ies including the three faculty
ies. The total cost for the week,
dless of family size, is $50.00
ling the $10.00 registration

Informal Evening Fireside

nen's Camp

experiences of such a week
est described in the following
on last year's camp written
e Congregational Way.
t summer I went to Women's
for the first time. After I had
ted my husband about camp to
ıt where he was happy for me
farmed my two children out
generous neighbor, I felt that
had better be worth it.
ıt of all, I hoped to get con-
help in officer training so I
be a better prepared and in-
d president for our Fellowship

in September. But I also wanted other things. I needed rest and relaxation away from the demands of a busy family. I needed to shed my responsibilities for a short time and get perspective and a long view of what my husband and I are trying to accomplish within our family. Would camp be able to help me in all of these ways?

Actually, I got so much more than I had expected from camp, I hope I may go again each year for many more years. I feel it was a completely unique experience for me and for every woman who was there. The officer training, program planning and Bible study courses were given at college level. The leaders were extremely high caliber and the student participation was wonderful. We were all there because of a definite need. I never missed a class, I didn't want to.

The rest and relaxation were all I could ask. Meals that you have had no hand in planning, buying, cooking or serving are especially enjoyable. We swam and sunned each day, but best of all, we talked —about everything. It is so relaxing to find that so many other women have your same problems and to learn what they do about them. We studied hard and played hard and loved every minute of it.

But the unexpected bonus I had not thought to hope for was the spiritual growth we all made together. At the first, I thought everyone was much more advanced than I on all the subjects we studied, in Bible reading and prayer. I felt I would have nothing constructive to offer, but I soon found that most everyone had these same misgivings, and when we discovered we were all on common ground, we all relaxed, studied, talked and grew together.

If you want something very special added to your life spiritually, some wonderful new friends, some mental stimulation and lots of fun, come to Women's Camp in 1957.

(Signed) Margaret Owen
(Mrs. L. Hudson Owen)
Veradale Community
Congregational Church

The total cost of the week this year is $23.00. Special buses are planned from Eastern Washington and Seattle to Pilgrim Firs.

Workshop For Church School Workers

For all workers in the Church School and youth program this special week is planned. The Keynoter, on the theme "Meeting the Master", will be the Rev. Roy Nichols, of the Downs Memorial Methodist Church in Oakland. Mr. Nichols is an outstanding Negro leader and served as Chaplain at the Earle Lectures at Pacific School of Religion this year.

The morning and afternoons will be devoted to departmental sessions on each age level. The outstanding faculty and program makes this an exceptional opportunity for churches to send their workers for specializ training. Each church is encourag to send a team of workers if at possible.

The total cost for the week $23.00. A limited number of childr from 3-12 years of age will be ca for in the carefully planned chi ren's program. If parents can ma other arrangements than bring them to the Workshop it is desira that they do so.

The total cost for children is $7 for pre-school and $10.00 for sch age.

Informal discussions are an important part of all summer camps

SUMMER CONFERENCE SCHEDULE FOR 1957

N-SID-SEN

July 8-15—Family Camp: Paul and Helen Sutley, Pasco, Dean
July 15-22—Senior High Camp: The Rev. Charles Knapp, Almira, Dean
July 22-29—7th and 8th grades: Mrs. Roavene Clock, Bellevue, Dean
July 29-Aug. 5—Summer Workshop for Church School Workers: The R Franklin Elliott, Walla Walla, Dean; Mrs. Maralta Osborne, Wa Walla, in charge of Children's program
Aug. 5-12—Freshman Camp: The Rev. Robert Nathan, Westminster, De

PILGRIM FIRS

July 8-15—Women's Camp: Jane Michael, Prospect and Vesper Stoe Veradale, Deans
July 15-22—Family Camp: Robert and Josephine Cole, Aberdeen, Dean
July 22-29—7th and 8th grades: The Rev. Bernard C. Herrick, Kellogg, De
July 29-Aug. 5—Freshman Camp: The Rev. Clyde Reid, Jr., Columbia, De
August 5-12—7th and 8th grades: The Rev. Emrys Thomas, Everett, De
August 12-19—Representative Summer Conference: John H. Gibson, De
August 19-26—Senior High Camp: Charles Alexander, Vancouver, Dean
August 26-Sept. 2—Family Camp: William and Jean Krapfel, Walla Wa Dean
Sept. 3-6—College Camp: Dr. Martin L. Goslin, Plymouth, Seattle, De

All camps begin with supper on **Monday** and close with breakf on **Monday.**

MONROE HONORS MINISTER

ng after twenty years of service as pastor of the Monroe Congregational Church, Ellen P. Bradley was paid tribute by the church membership, by contemporaries and from all walks of life in the community last Friday evening at a reception. Here, Louise Webb makes formal presentation of a television set and purse on behalf of noners while Rev. Bradley's son, Dr. James Bradley of California, and Charles Taylor, man of the church board, look on.

ie Congregational hall was filled apacity Friday evening, January or a reception in honor of the Ellen P. Bradley. Mrs. Bradley rned the pastorate of the Con- ational church in October after ty years' efficient and faithful ce. On leaving her former pas- te in Montana in January 1937 arrived in Monroe in a snow n and since that day has been a for the betterment of the com- ity and for the improvement of own church. The wide scope of work was proven by the repre- ative gathering from all the ch groups of Monroe, and from by communities. The extremely ry weather prevented friends in tle, Bellingham and elsewhere realizing plans to be present.

most happy incident of the ing was the unexpected arrival Irs. Bradley's son, Dr. James ley of Fresno, California, who fortunate in getting plane res- tions to bring him to Seattle in to be at the church door by o'clock.

Ralston Church Builds Addition To Church Plant

Church buildings are "bustin' out all over." Newest church to come up with an expanded plant is the one at Ralston, in the wheat belt south of Ritzville.

The Ralston Church, which is pastored by Rev. R. K. Anderson, has been making do with a sanctuary unit only for lo these many years. But like many another church they have needed more room, but have not seen their way clear financially to do much about it. This winter, though, the people of the Ralston Church really came up with something. They found a building in the community which was better off torn down, so down it went, and the men salvaged the lumber and toted it over to the church. With completely volunteer help, then, up went a fine social hall and kitchen which will soon be completed and in use. Cost of the whole project—practically nothing! But the unit will add both utility and beauty to the Ralston Church.

WALLA WALLA DEDICATES . . . .

View of First Congregational Church, Walla Walla, showing new construction linkir educational unit to church sanctuary. The Educational unit (right) has been complete renovated.

The First Congregational Church of Walla Walla had a big day for itself on February 10, when it held a rededication service for the newly renovated Church plant.

During recent months the old parish house of the church has been undergoing complete alteration. In fact, the whole interior of the building has been completely rebuilt. What was a two story social hall and semi-auditorium, is now a freshly built three floor useable educational unit, with a fine suite of church offices to boot. The only thing left anything like it was is the social hall in the basement, and even that has been given a thorough going face lifting.

In addition a new entrance way has been built between the educational unit and the sanctuary of the church, which according to Rev. Franklin Elliott, minister of the church, has revolutionized things around the church.

The actual service of dedication was held in the sanctuary of the church at the Sunday morning service, with Ed Cunningham of the Conference Staff preaching. The dedication service was read by the minister of the church. An open house was held throughout the afternoon.

Congregationalists Help Hungarians

A. Dean Osterberg

When the DC 6 Commercial Ai liner touched down on Seattle's Bo ing Field at the early Sunday mor ing hour of 4:40 o'clock on Januar 6, a number of Congregationalist were at the field to welcome a grou of Hungarian refugees to their ne home in Washington. The warm an vigorous reception tendered has n slacked for a moment through th entire process of finding homes, em ployment, funds to cover their tran portation from Camp Kilmer, Ne Jersey and necessary emergenc needs after arrival.

Among the 67 who landed wit the plane were Mr. and Mrs. Pa Pinter and their two children, Pa Jr., age 3 and Jolan, age 2. On han to meet them was the Rev. Be Bradford of the Bellevue Church. I addition, twenty-five Congregation families offered housing and nine of fers of employment were made. Th total cost of resettlement for th two plane loads of Hungarians un derwritten by the Council Churches is $20,000. To date a litt over $12,440 has been contribute Eleven Congregational Churche contributed $3,469.

W MINISTER AT PILGRIM, SEATTLE

e Rev. Ralph S. Barber became ıster of Pilgrim Congregational ch, Seattle, on March 4. Mr. ber comes the First ɜregational ch in Van- ɛr, Washing- The son of mi-retired odist minis- ıe did under- ıate liberal work at Wil- ɛte Univers- hen attended school and ıated with L.B. in 1936. uccessfully iced law for ten years, during h he sensed a growing realiza- that he should enter the min- He attended the Starr King ɔl of Ministry in Berkeley, Cal- ia, and was ordained in 1953. Barbers have three daughters.

Ralph S. Barber

: HILLS PASTOR INSTALLED

e Rev. Philip L. Eisenhauer installed as pastor of the Lake Community Church (Evangel- and Reform- on Sunday, ıary 10, at 3:00 o'clock ɣice in the Hills Com- ity Club- .

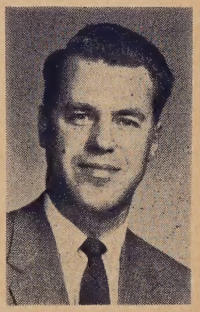
e Lake Hills ɔh was or- ed in De- er and re- ly incorpo- . The Rev. s O. Gilliom e Broadview nunity Church in Seattle was uest speaker at the Installation ce and the Sunday morning ıip, the Rev. T. H. Van Dyck, Coast president of the Evan- ıl and Reformed Church, was ulpit guest.

e Rev. Ben Bradford, of the evue Congregational Church, d in the service.

Phillip L. Eisenhauer

Moses Lake Church Calls First Minister

The honor and responsibility of launching the new church at Moses Lake will go to the Rev. Clare E. Olney, who has recently accepted a call to that new field. Olney is now minister of the Community Congregational Church in Thompson Falls, Montana, where he has ministered since 1953. Olney, his wife, Grace, and three children —Peter, 13; Richard, 12; and Mary Claire, 5 — will move to their new home at 910 Earl Road in Moses Lake by April 1.



Clare E. Olney

During his ministry in Thompson Falls, Olney has been active in many Conference affairs in the Montana Conference, for the past three years serving as State Chairman of the Missionary Education and Stewardship Committee. He has also had much experience in youth and camp work, and has taken part in many community enterprises. Among other accomplishments he is a highly respected athletic official. Mrs. Olney, too, has been active in the Women's work of Montana as well as in the local church.

Members of the Congregational Fellowship at Moses Lake.

Olney's new parish at the moment consists of a recently acquired church site, a new parsonage, a group of about 24 people who have formed a Congregational Fellowship, and a sprawling Columbia Basin city of 13,000 people.

Eltopia Building On The Way

The Eltopia Church building is on its way! Informal, but impressive, ground breaking ceremonies were held on the church site at 3:00 P.M., Sunday, March 10.

A good number of Eltopia folk stood in the wind and amidst rolling tumbleweeds as many got in on the act of turning up shovels full of dirt. Featured shovel wielders were: Mrs. Elizabeth Phend of Connell, an Eltopia pioneer, who provided the large church site; a Mrs. Thompson of Connell, who grew up in Eltopia and came to the ceremonies because it represented a long time vision of hers; Mrs. Hailey, mother of one of Eltopia's widespread families and long time booster of the new church; and John Hubbard, chairman of the building committee. Special guests at the affair were Richard Moe, architect of the church; and Bernard Chapman, head of the contracting firm.

At the service itself Rev. Louis C. Turner, of the Richland Church, led the dedication prayer and Ed Cunningham served as master of ceremonies.

Columbia Launches Drive

Columbia Congregational Church is launching a financial drive for a program of building and remodeling with Walter Ford as general chairman. The Church has set April 7th as their canvass date. They hope to remodel the sanctuary, add a church parlor and construct new Church School and office facilities.

Directing the campaign is William Manspeaker of Denver, Colorado. Mr. Manspeaker is a Congregational layman and was active in the National Church Building and Loan drive before entering the fund raising profession. The minister of the church is the Rev. Clyde H. Reid.

See You at Conference

What Kind Are You?

A lot of Christians are like wheelbarrows—not good unless pushed.

Some are like canoes—they need to be paddled.

Some are like kites—if you don't keep a string on them they fly away.

Some are like kittens—they are more contented when petted.

Some are like footballs—you can't tell which way they will bounce next.

Some are like balloons—full of air and ready to blow up.

Some are like trailers—they have to be pulled.

Some are like neon lights—they keep going on and off.

Others are letting the Holy Spirit lead them.

And we would like to add—some are like a good watch; open face, pure gold, quietly busy and full of good works.

—Unknown.

COMING EVENTS

nen's Fellowship Area Meetings:

ch 25—Columbia River Area;
ch 26—Tacoma Area; Sylvan Congregational Church on Fox Island
ch 27—Seattle Area; Magnolia Congregational Church
ch 28—Northwest Area; United Church of Ferndale
l 1—Spokane and East Area;
l 2—Northeast Area; Metaline Falls Congregational Church
l 3—Southeast Area; Lewiston Orchards Congregational Church
l 4—East Central Area; Philadelphia Congregational Church, Ritzville
l 5—South Central Area;
l 1-5—Vacation Church School Institutes, Council of Churches
l 6-7—Laymen's School of Churchmanship, Pilgrim Firs
l 9—Library Committee.
l 10-11—Interdenominational Ministers' Retreat
l 12-13-14—Christian Horizons Conference, Pilgrim Firs
l 16—Board of Directors
l 23—Evangelism Committee
l 24—Our Christian World Mission Committee Meeting
l 27—Pilgrim Firs Camp Officers
l 27-28—Laymen's School of Churchmanship, N-Sid-Sen
l 28—Seattle Association, Plymouth Church
l 29-May 3—Northwest Directors of Christian Education Workshop, Menucha, Corbett, Oregon
2-3—Leila Anderson & the Circuit Rider in Conference
3-4-5—Young Adult Conference, Pilgrim Firs
4—Dr. James Wagner of E. & R. Church, Seattle meeting, 6:30 P. M.

May 5-6—Galen Weaver, C. S. A. Workshops
May 6—Missionary Education Team Training, Plymouth Church, Seattle
May 7—Christian Education Committee with Deans of Summer Conference
May 7-8-9—Annual Conference, Plymouth Church, Seattle
May 9—Board of Directors, Plymouth Church, Seattle
May 14—Library Committee
May 15—Missionary Education Team Training, Spokane
May 16—Missionary Education Team Training, Dayton
May 15-24—Leila Anderson and the Circuit Rider in Conference
May 28—Evangelism Committee Meeting
June 4-5—Planning Conference, Conference Home
June 25-27—General Synod—Cleveland, Ohio
September 14-15 or 21-22—Laymen's Retreat, N-Sid-Sen
September 28-29—Laymen's Retreat, Pilgrim Firs
October 1-11—Association Meetings, Lloyd Lorbeer of India
October 21-27—Curtis Schumacher, Russell May at Richmond Beach
October 29-30-31—Northwest Regional Conference, First Congregational Church, Portland, Oregon
Before or after Northwest Regional Conference—Wesley Hotchkiss
December—Area Conference on Proposed Christian Higher Education Drive
1957—Larry Henderson on furlough
1958—April 28-May 2—Christian Education Leaders of Leaders' Workshop, Pilgrim Firs

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IF Pilgrim Firs is to be completed for total use this summer,

$8,000 is needed to build an adequate home for the resident minister and his family

$9,000 is needed to erect and equip more cabins

$3,000 is needed to extend utilities, develop recreation facilities, build camp fire and hillside chapel.

IF over $60,000 in special gifts for Pilgrim Firs had not already been received, there would not be the lodge and seven cabins.

IF YOU are interested in making a Memorial or Special Gift of the Minister's Home or one of the cabins

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